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UDORN 0147 DTD 071015Z SEP 77 SENT ACTION BANGKOK IMMEDIATE  
INFO VIENTIANE IMMEDIATE BEING REPEATED TO YOU FOR UR INFO:

C O N F I D E N T I A L UDORN 0147

E.O. 11652 GDS  
TAGS: SREF, TH, LA  
SUBJECT: NONG KHAI REFUGEE SITUATION

REF: (A) UDORN 0146 (B) VIENTIANE 1262

1. BASED ON CONREP'S CONVERSATIONS WITH IMMIGRATION  
OFFICIALS SEPTEMBER 7, WE HAVE FOLLOWING TO REPORT  
REGARDING REFUGEE SITUATION IN NONG KHAI:

A. STATUS OF GROUP OXUNXX REFUGEES REMAINS  
UNCHANGED.

B. SOURCES IN THA DEUA HAVE TOLD IMMIGRATION  
OFFICIALS THAT, AS REPORTED IN REFTEL B, SINO-  
LAO AND VIETNAMESE-LAO DENIED ENTRY AT NONG  
KHAI SEPTEMBER 3 HAVE RETURNED TO VIENTIANE.

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C. SAME SOURCES HAVE ALSO REPORTED THAT THERE  
WERE AN ESTPMATED 75 SINO-LAO AND VIETNAMESE-  
LAO, WITH PERSONAL EFFECTS, GATHERED AT THA  
DEUA SEPTEMBER 6 HOPING TO CROSS MEKONG RIVER  
TO NONG KHAI. HOWEVER, NONE OF RIVER TAXIS WERE  
WILLING TO TAKE THEM ACROSS RIVER. SOURCES

STATED THAT AFTER LONG DAY IN WAIT, GROUP OF  
75 RETURNED IN LATE AFTERNOON TO VIENTIANE.

D. NONG KHAI IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS TOLD CONREP 1145  
HOURS THAT, TO BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE, THERE  
WERE NO POTENTIAL REFUGEES WAITING AT THA  
DEUA TO CROSS RIVER SEPTEMBER 7.

E. CONREP STATES THAT ONE THAI IMMIGRATION OFFICER  
IS NOW POSTED AT THE BOAT LANDING BELOW NONG KHAI  
IMMIGRATION BUILDING TO CHECK DOCUMENTS OF  
PASSENGERS DISEMBARKING FROM RIVER TAXIS.  
OFFICER HAS INSTRUCTIONS NOT TO ALLOW  
ANYONE WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION LEAVE  
BOATS.

2. COMMENT: IT WOULD APPEAR THAT NONG KHAI OFFICIALS  
HAVE SUCCEEDED, FOR THE MOMENT AT LEAST, IN DIS-  
COURAGING LARGE GROUPS OF POTENTIAL REFUGEES FROM  
ATTEMPTING TO ENTER THAILAND THROUGH THE THA DEUA  
NONG KHAI BORDER POINTS ROUTE. HOWEVER, WE SUGGEST  
THAT SOONER OR LATER MOST OF SINO-LAO AND VIETNAMESE-  
LAO WHO UNSUCCESSFULLY TRIED TO LEAVE LAOS WILL  
MANAGE, IN ONE FORM OR ANOTHER, TO FILTER ACROSS  
BORDER INTO THAILAND IN FUTURE.

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